

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment accompanies a request for a continuation application of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/039,384. Examination of the claims in this Preliminary Amendment is requested. Claims 1-28, as filed in the parent application, have been cancelled. New claim 29 has been added. Thus, claim 1 remains in this continuation application for consideration.

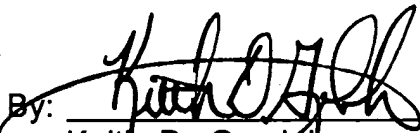
Attached hereto for the convenience of the Examiner is a courtesy copy of the Letter Submitting Formal Drawings and drawings as filed concurrently herewith. These drawings were submitted and approved in the parent application.

CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that the application is in condition for allowance and that action is respectfully requested. If the Examiner's next anticipated action is to be anything other than a Notice of Allowance, the undersigned respectfully requests a telephone interview before issuance of any such subsequent action.

Respectfully submitted,

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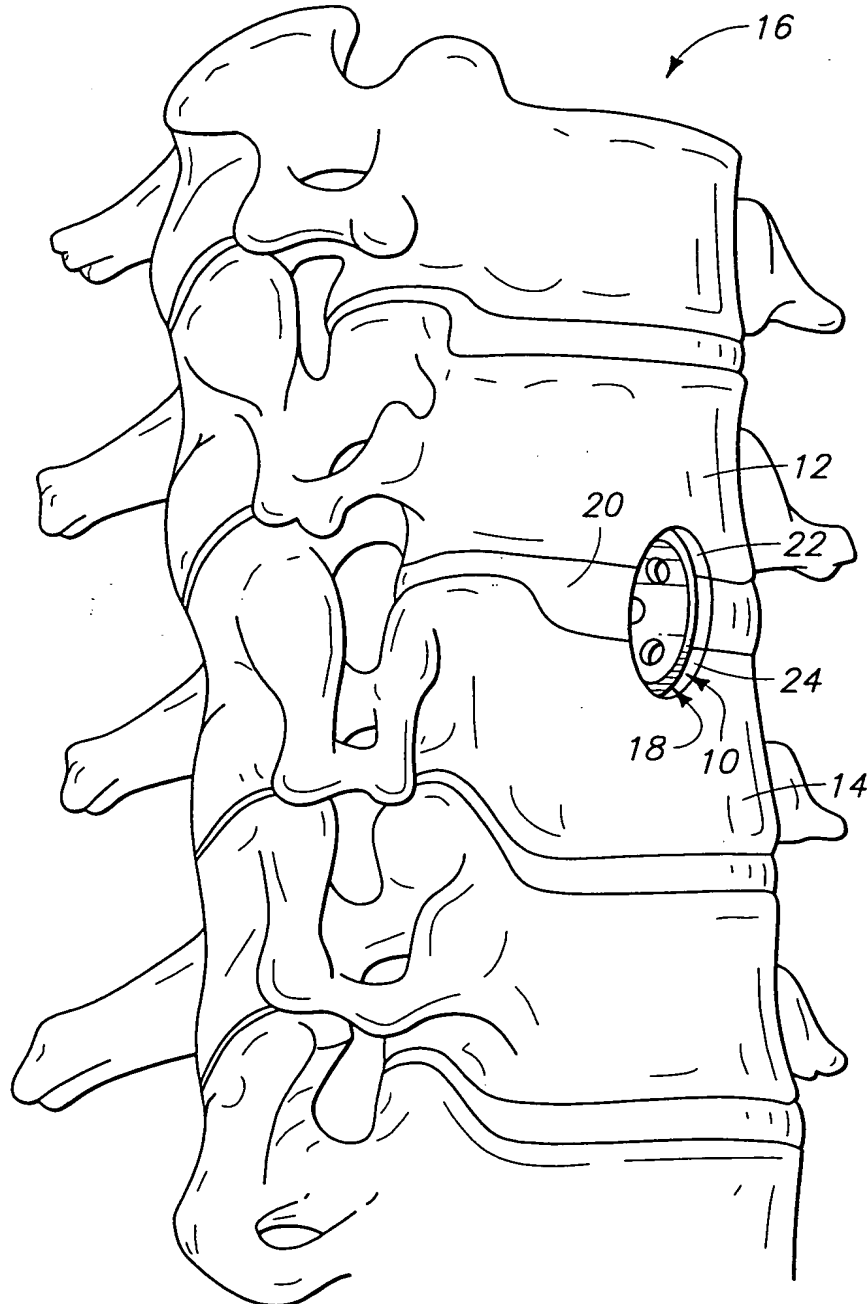
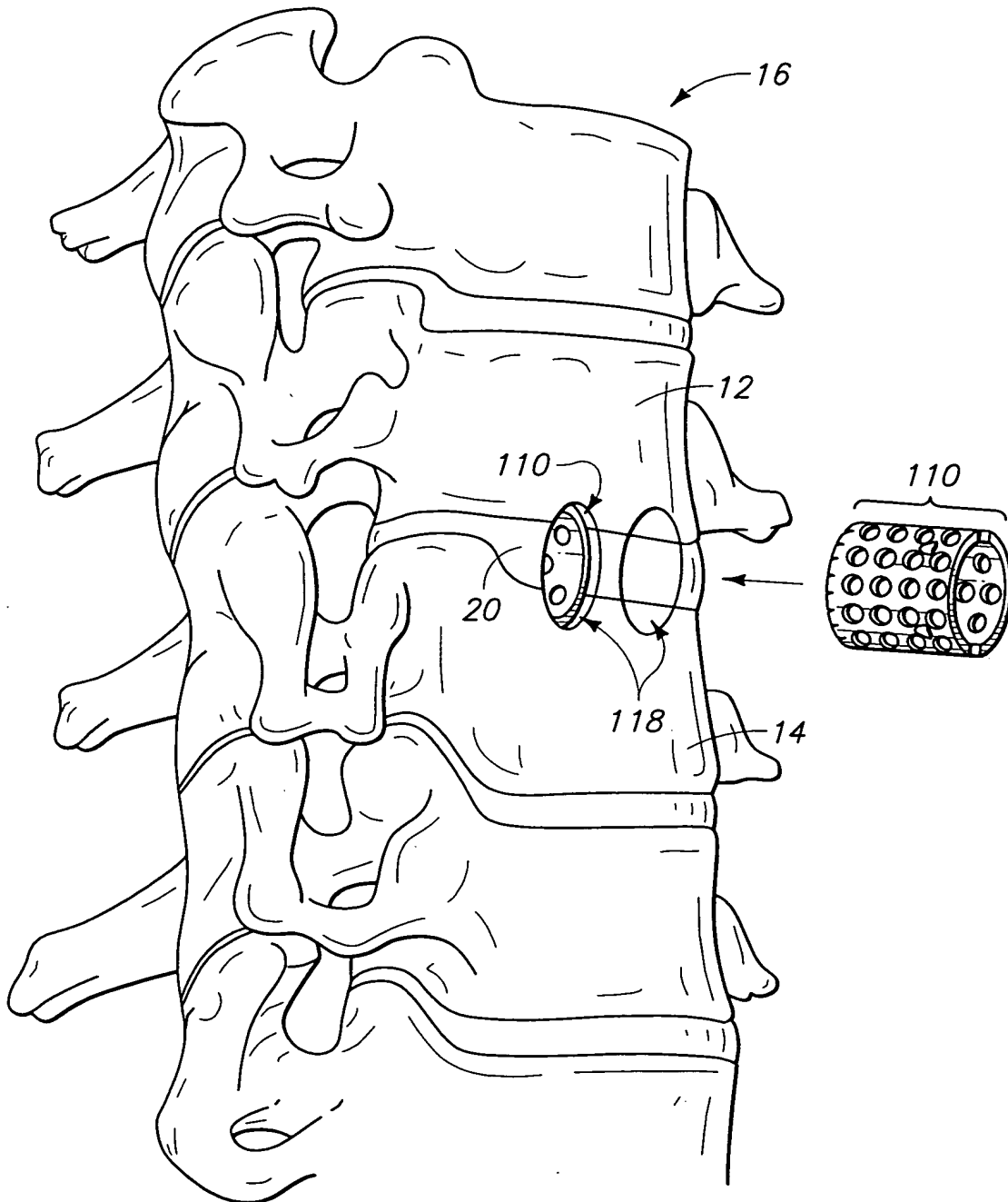
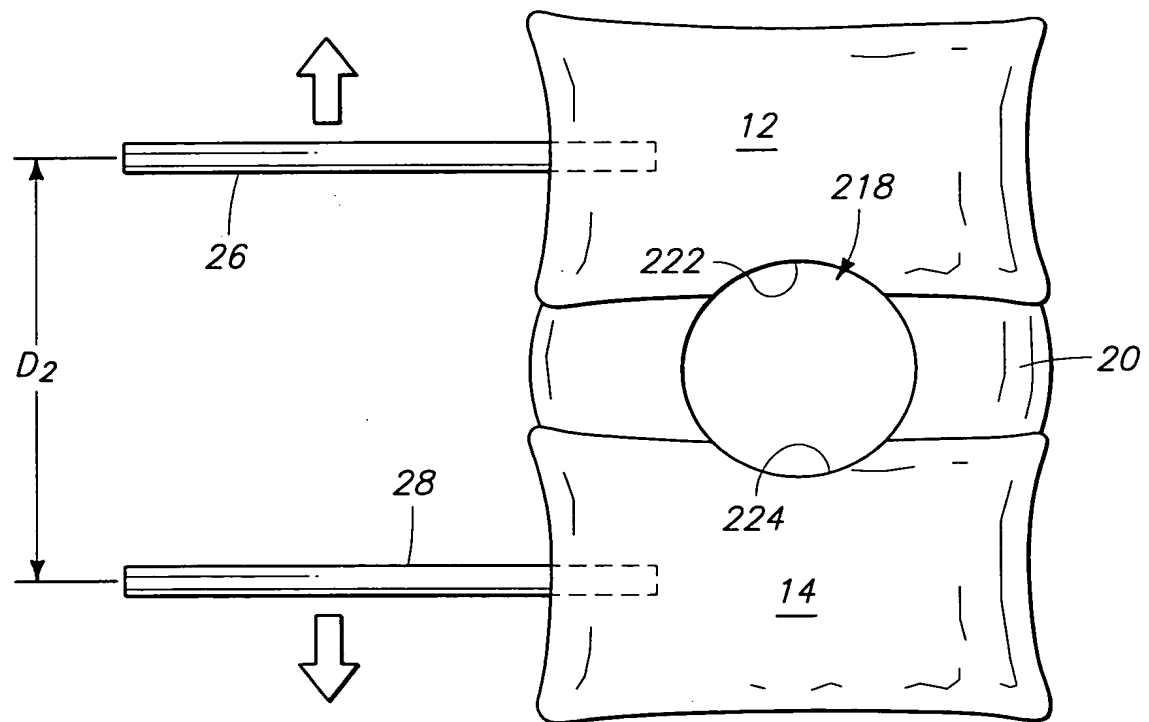
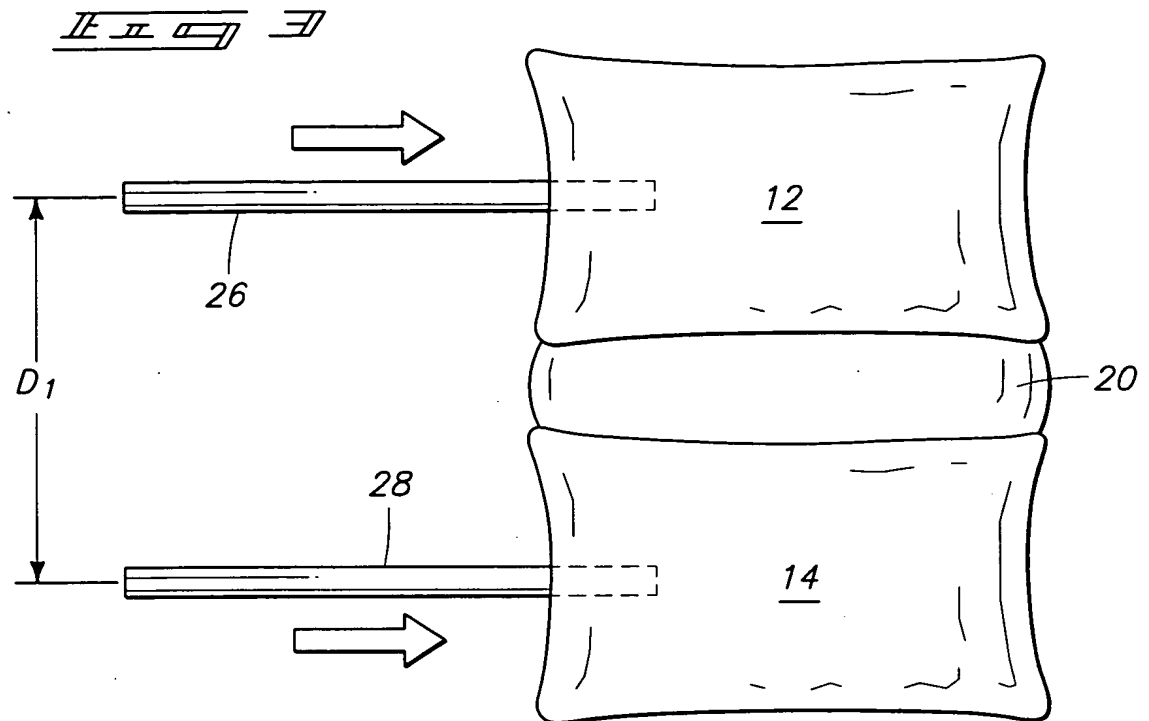


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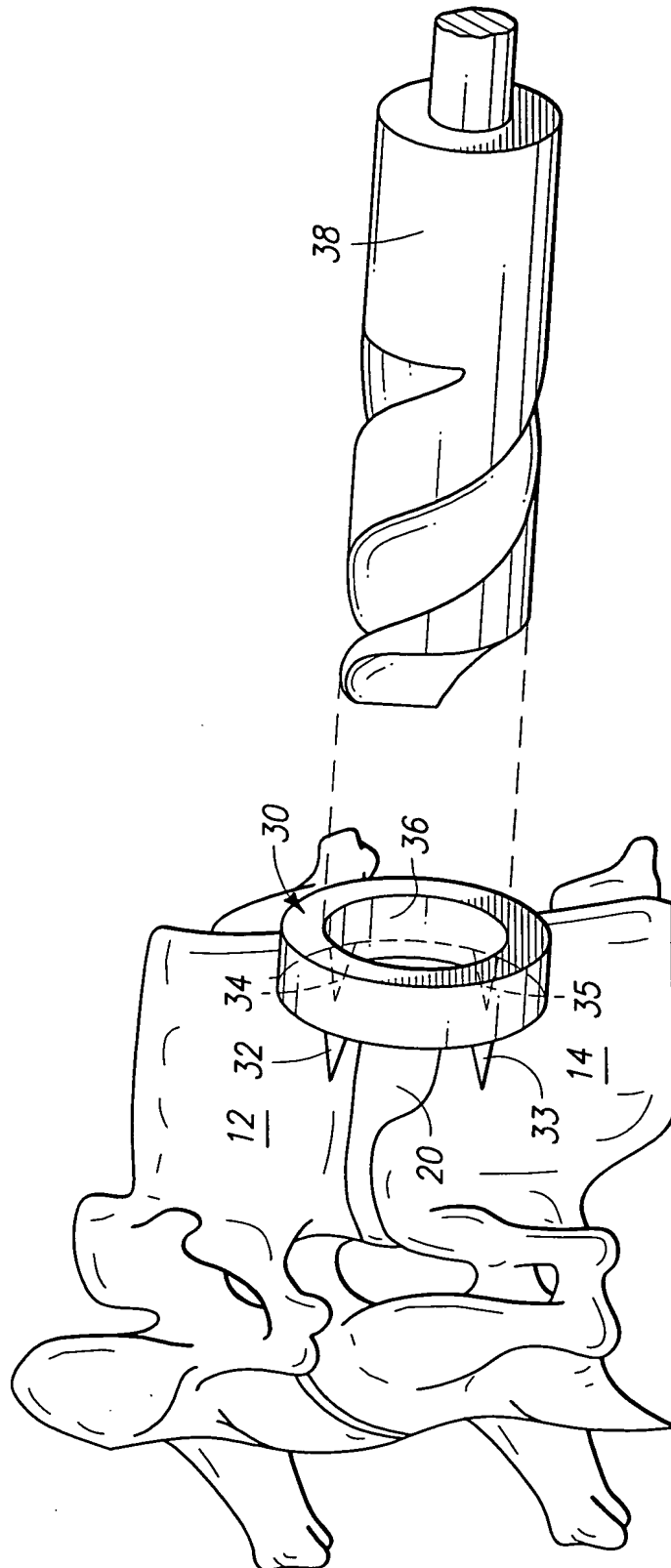


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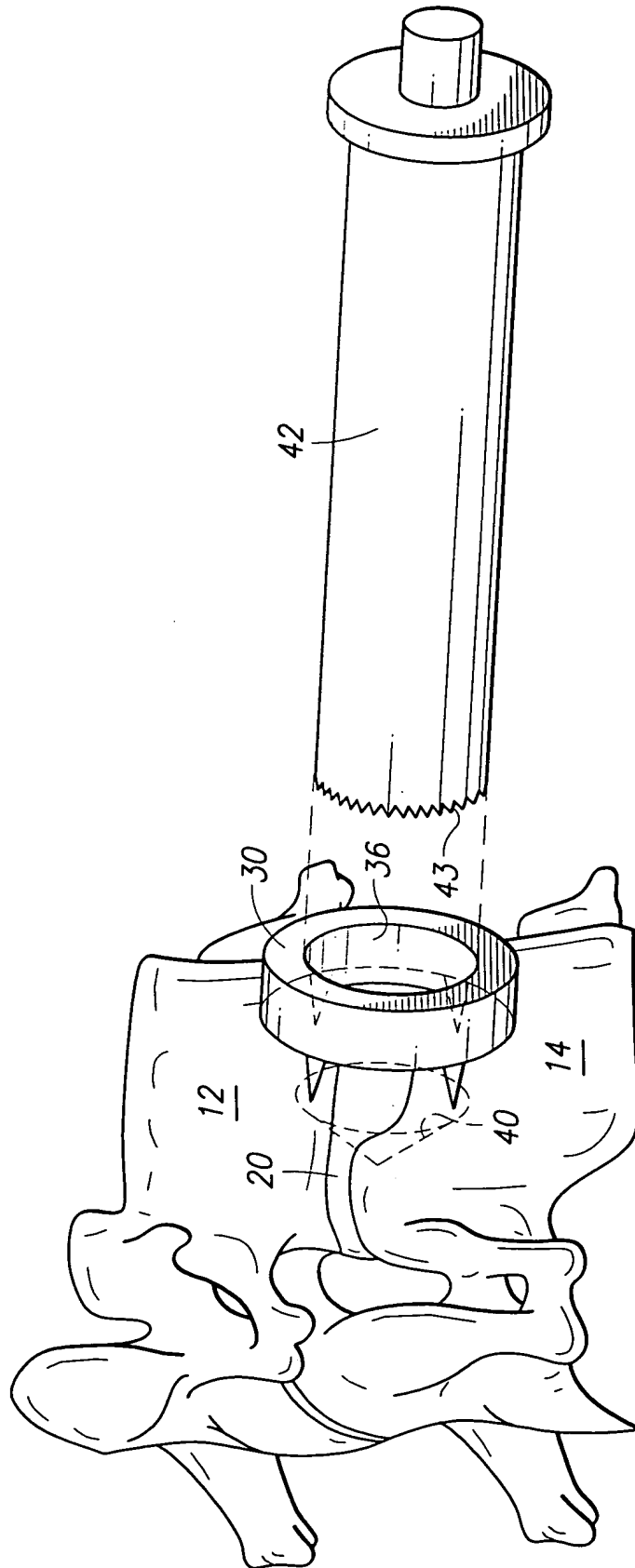
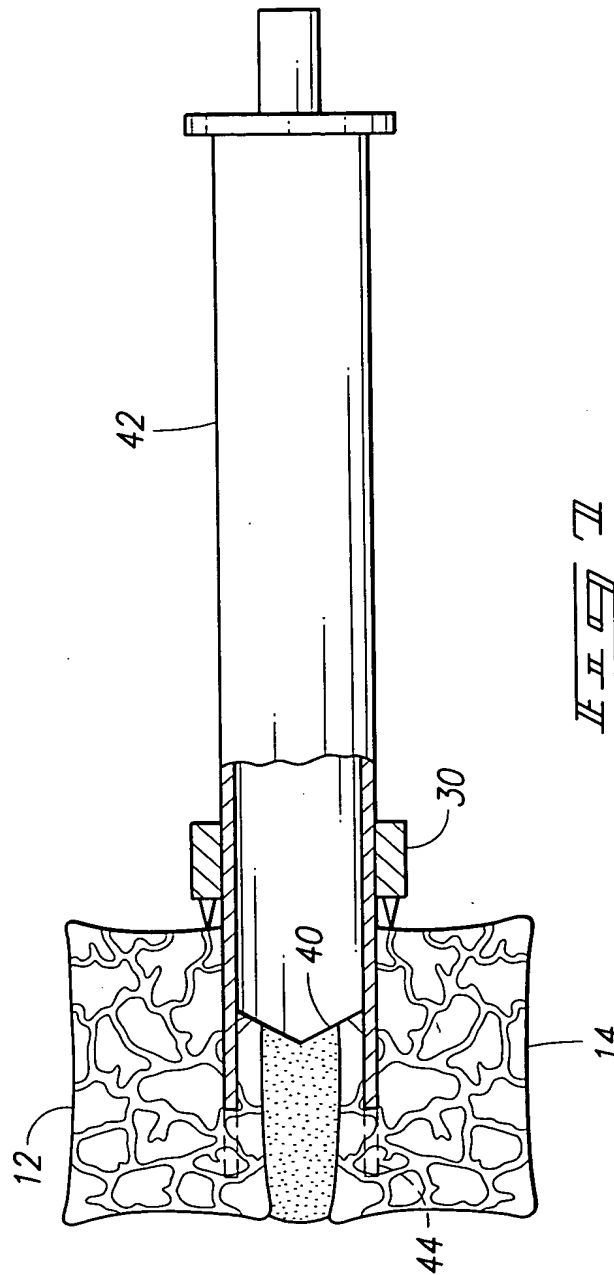
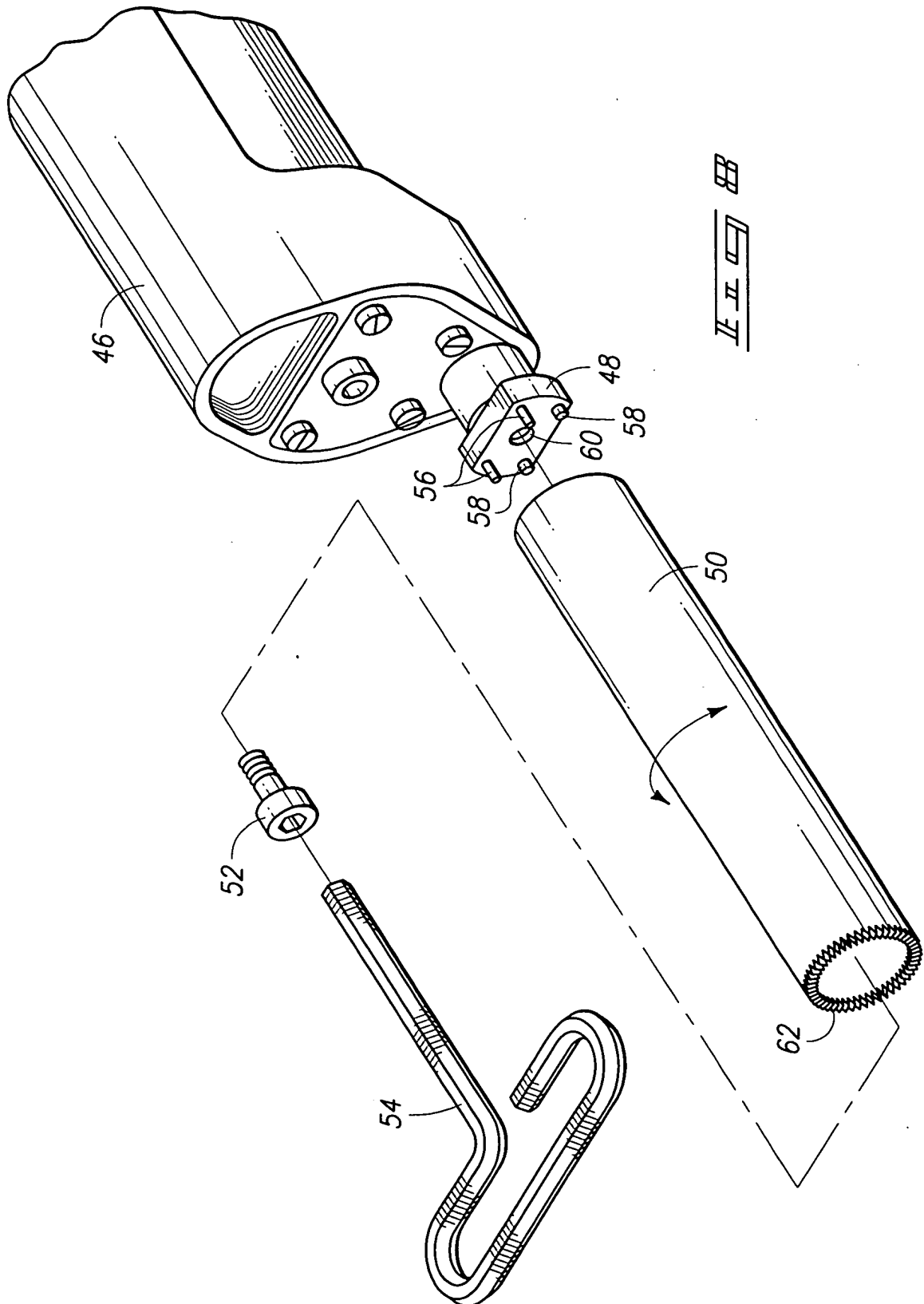


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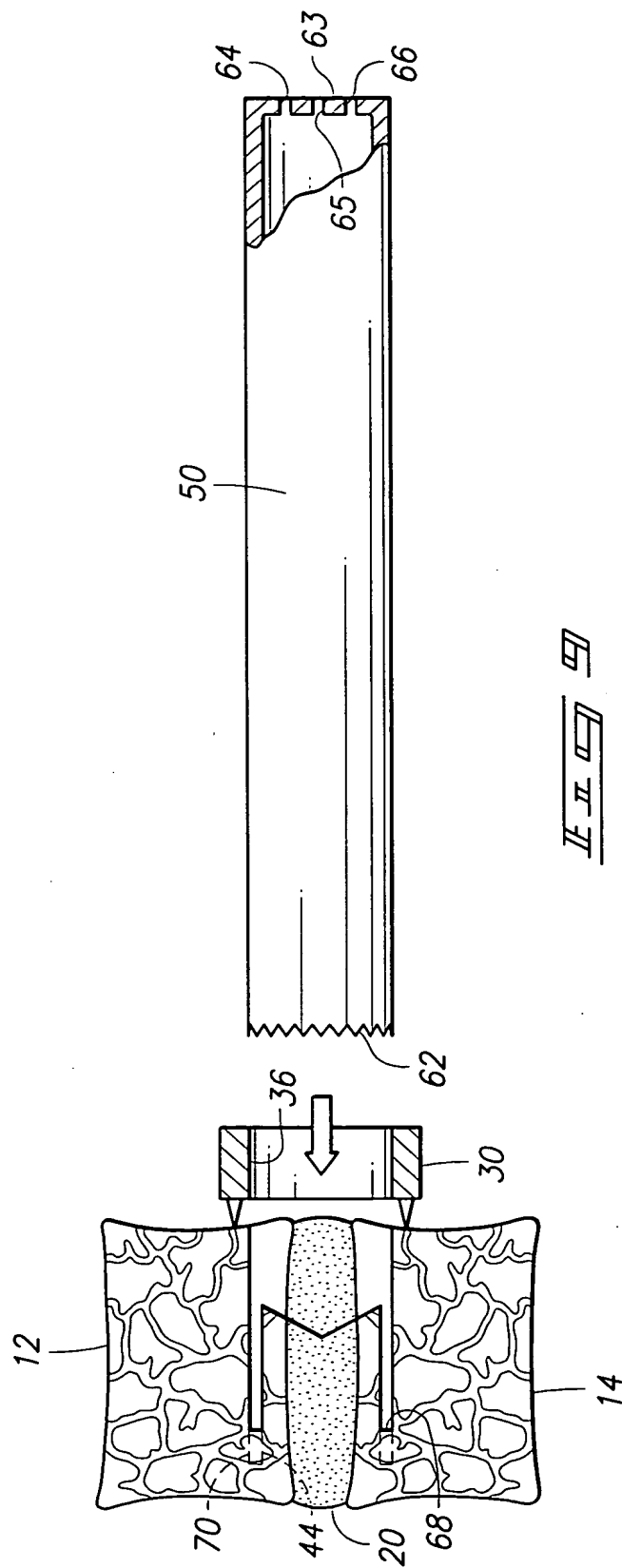
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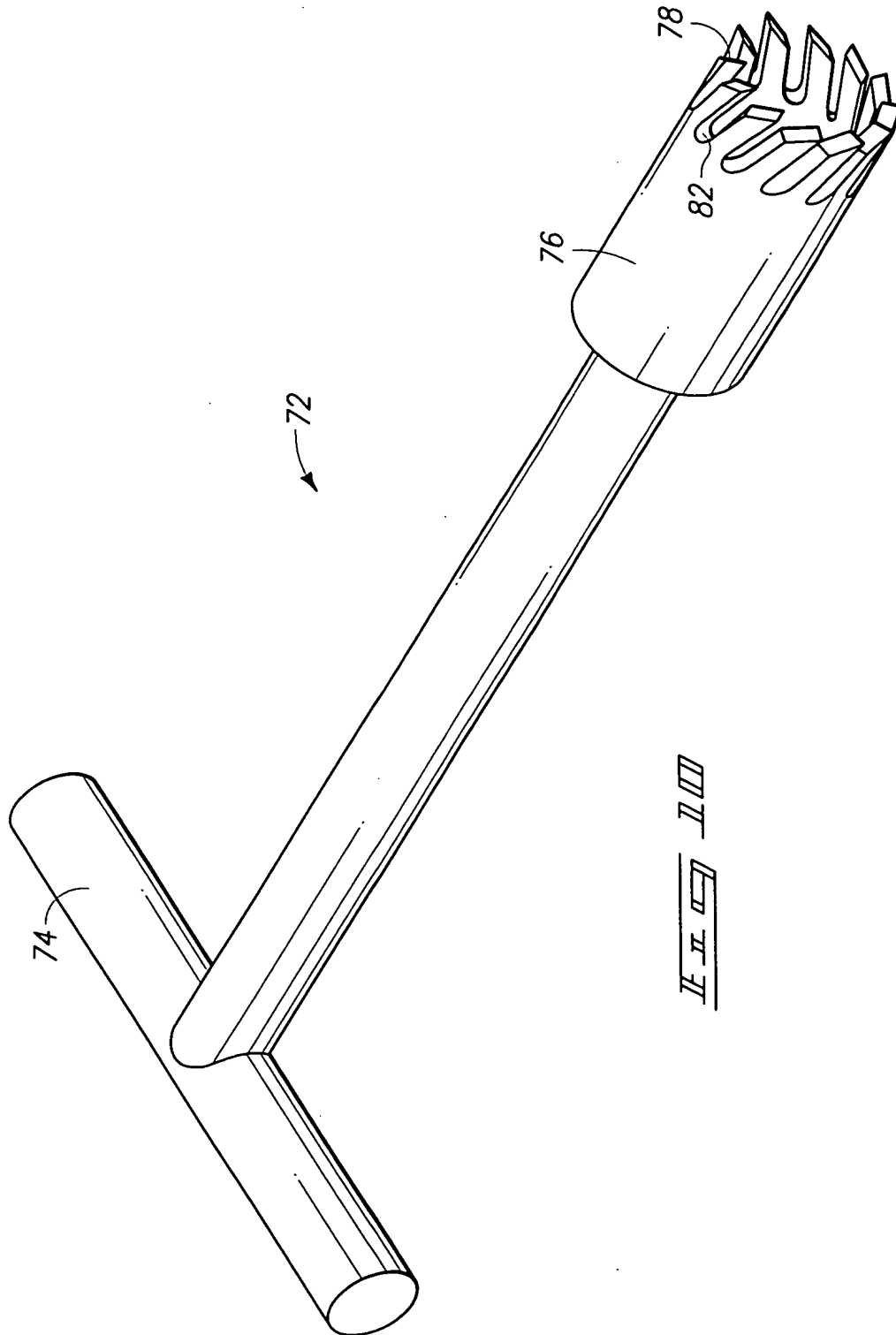
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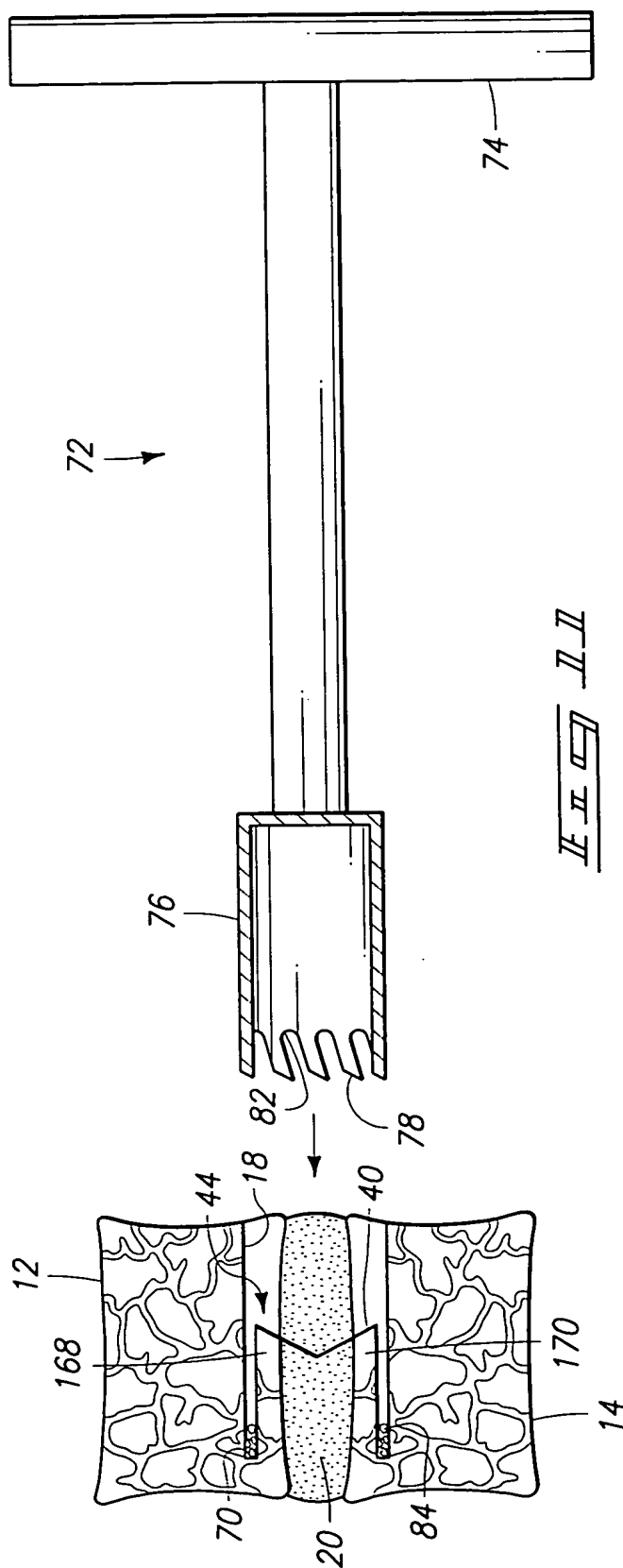
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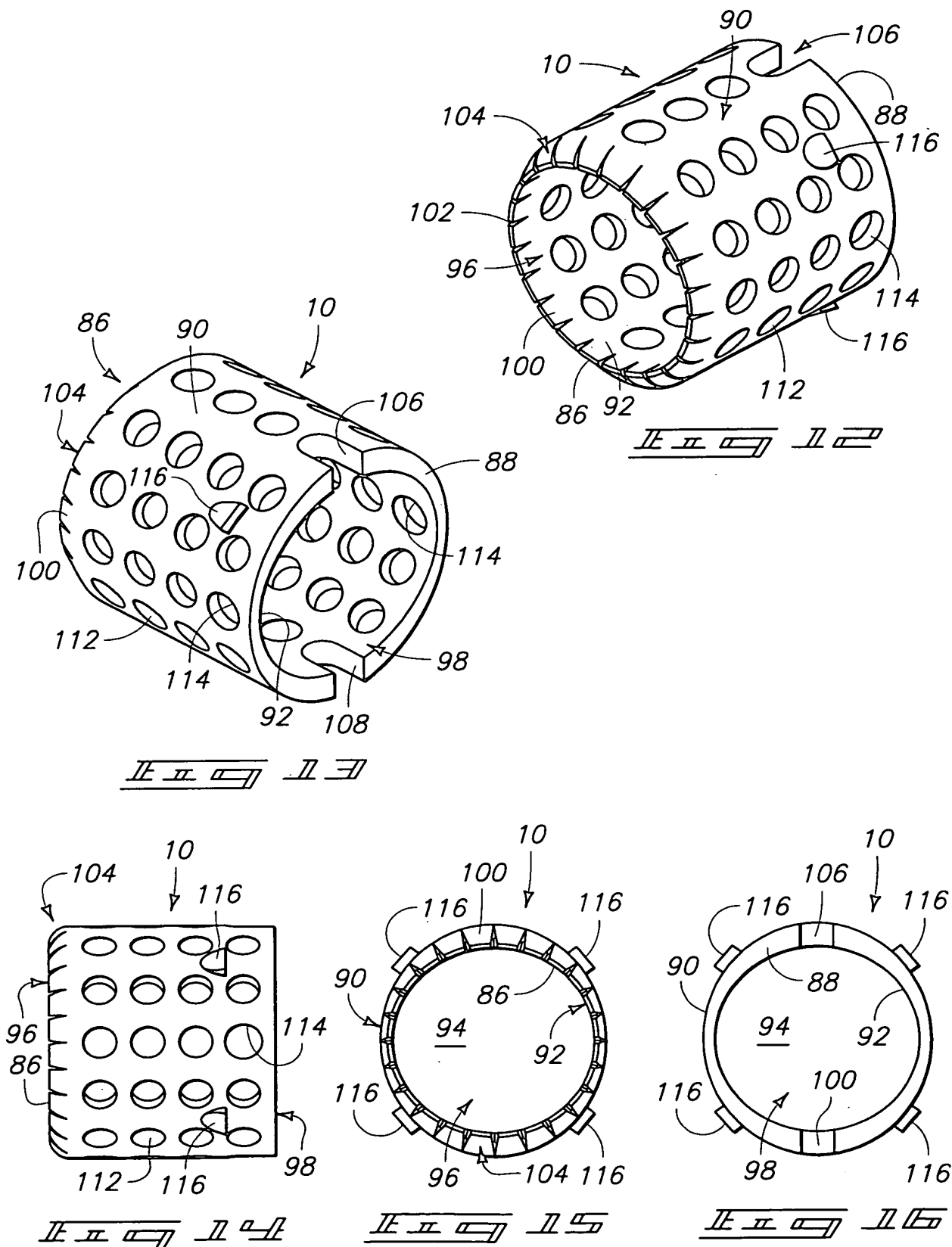
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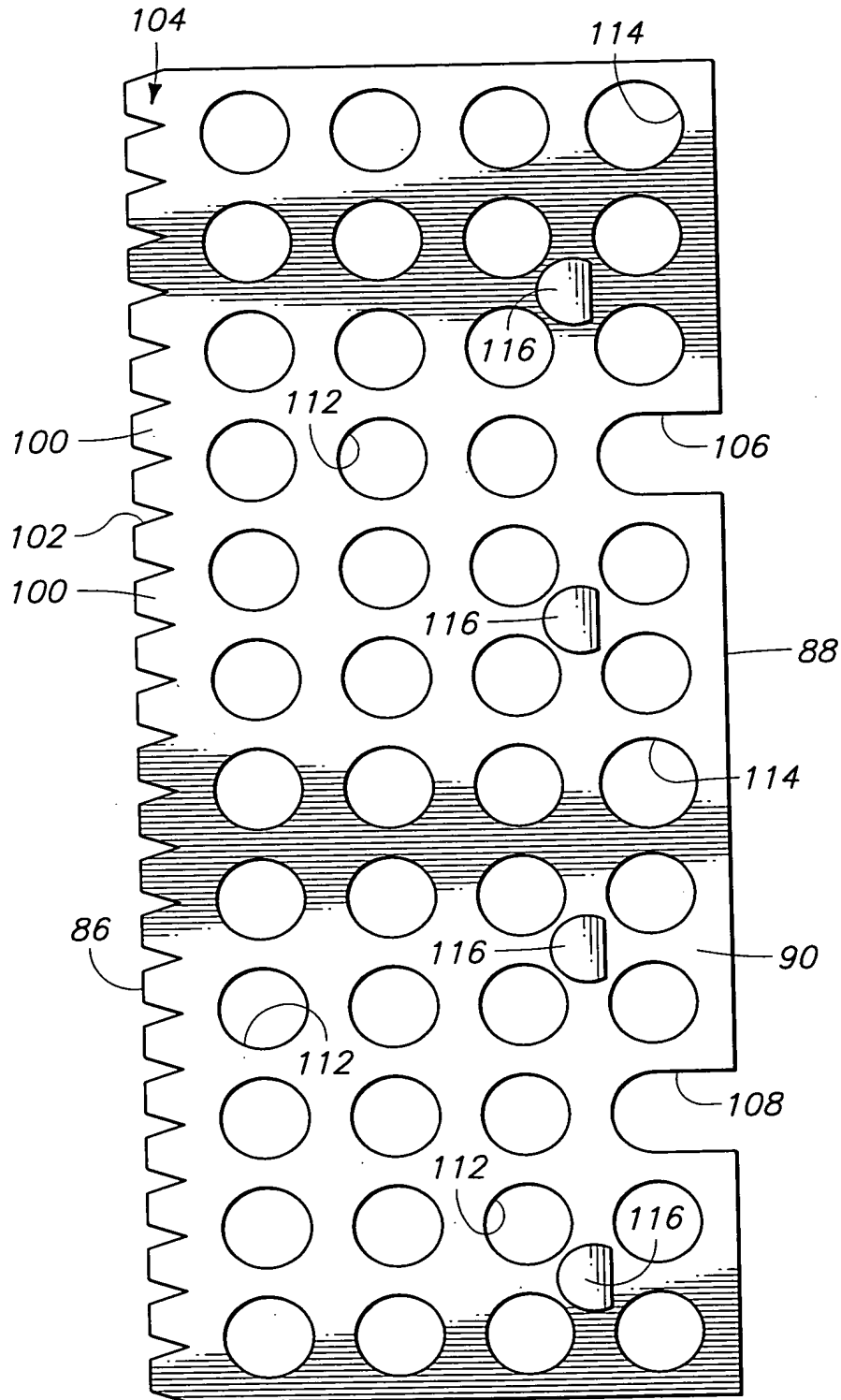
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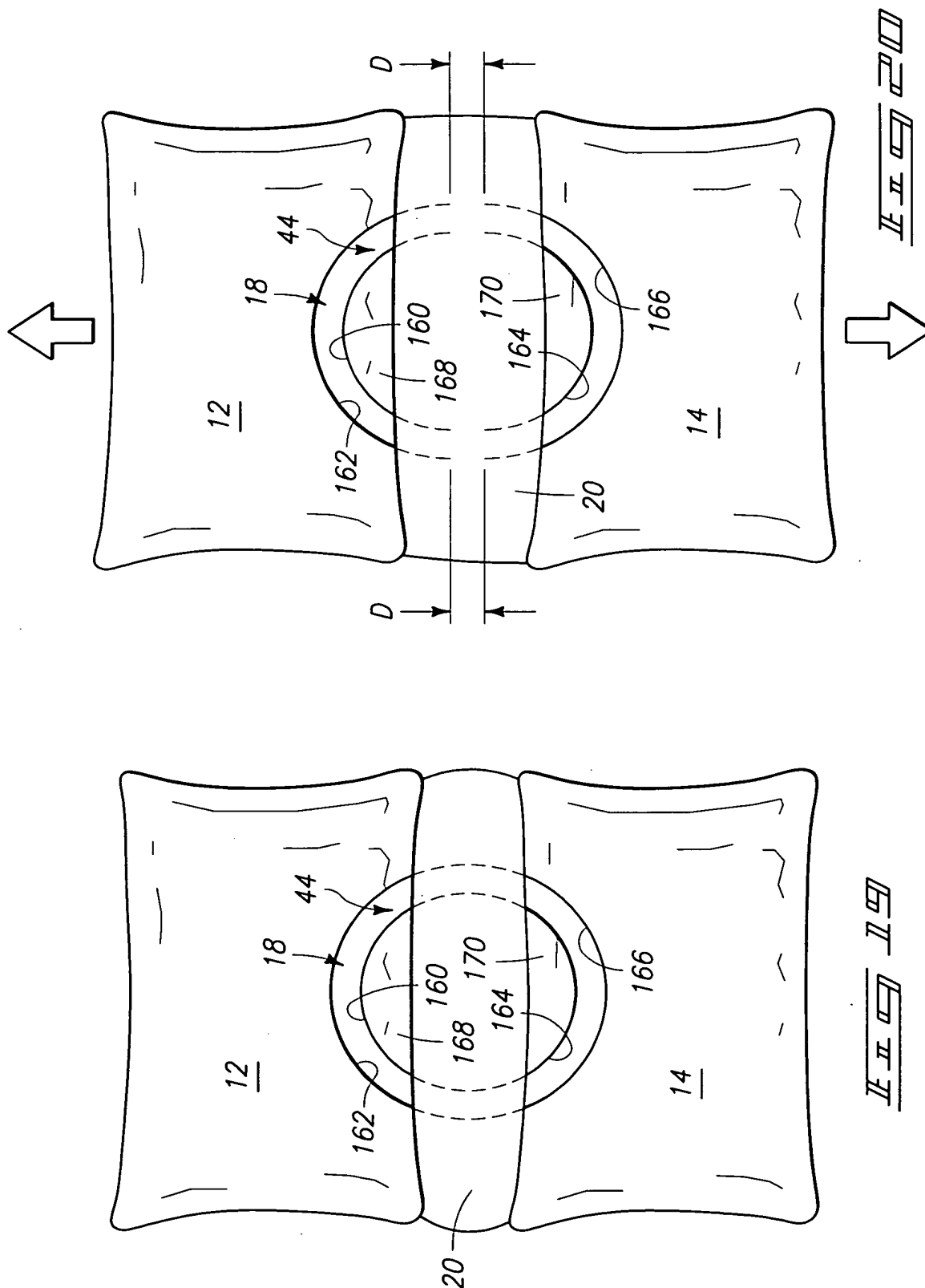


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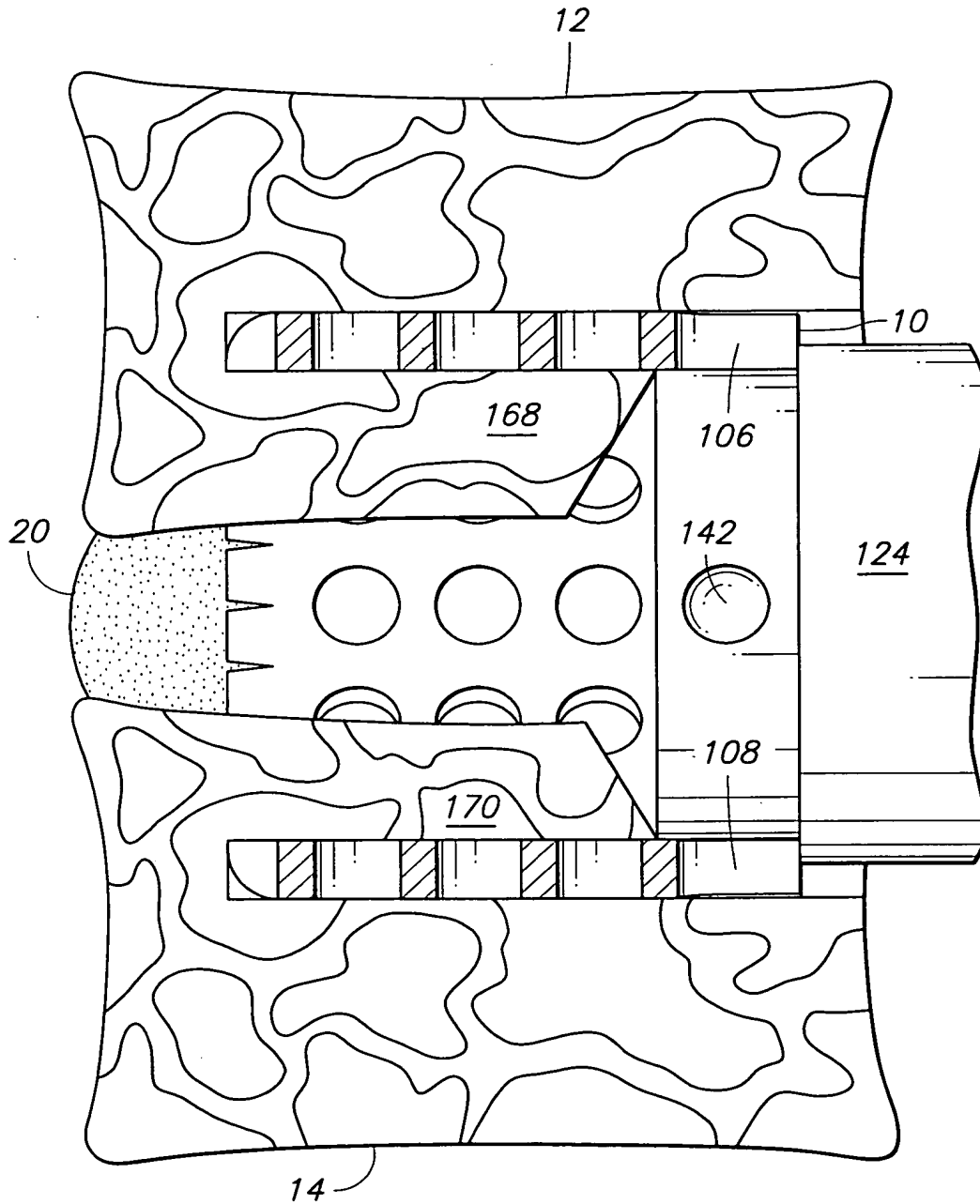


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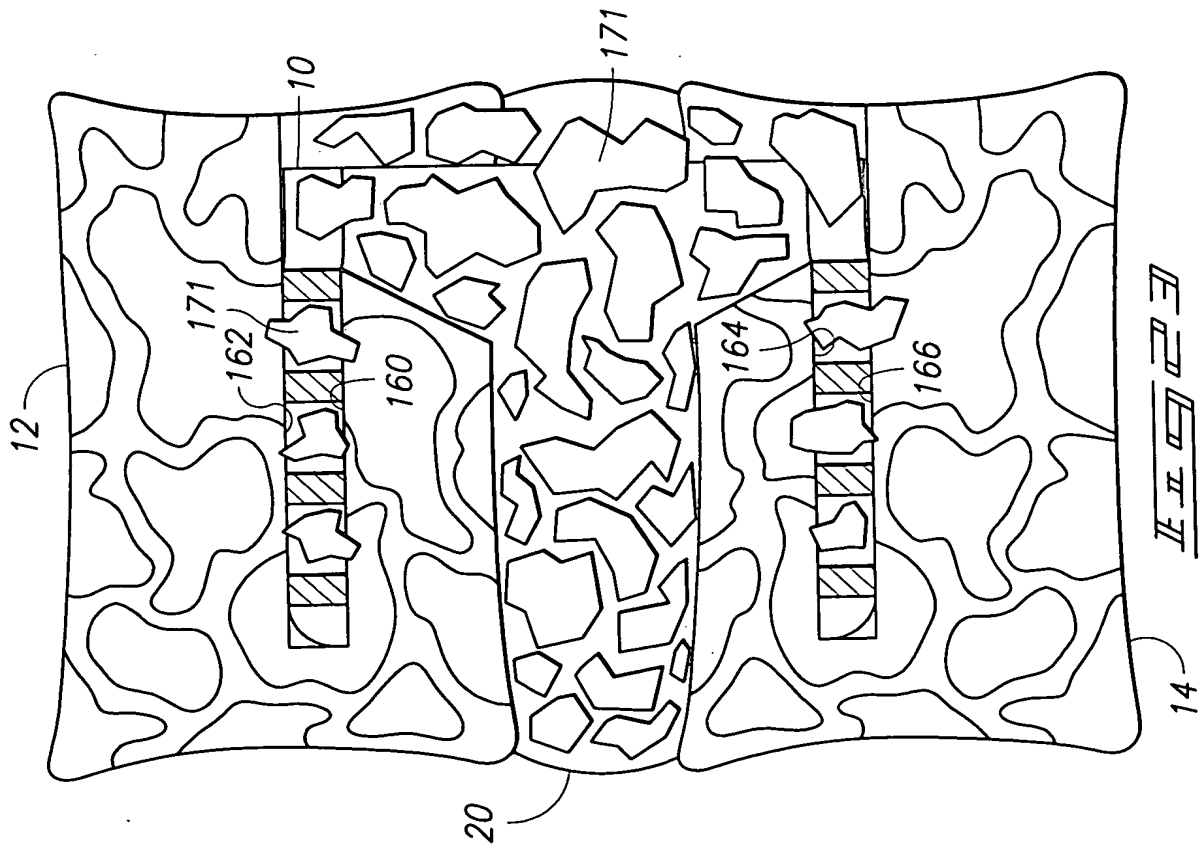
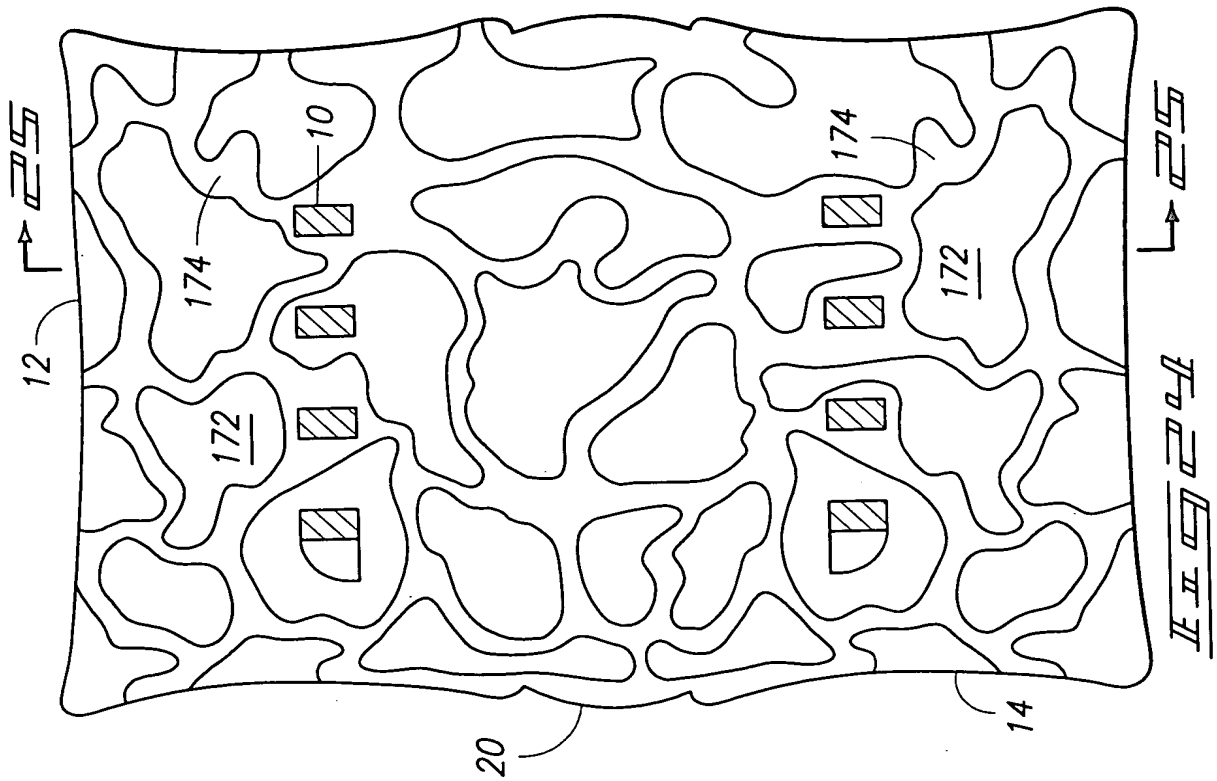
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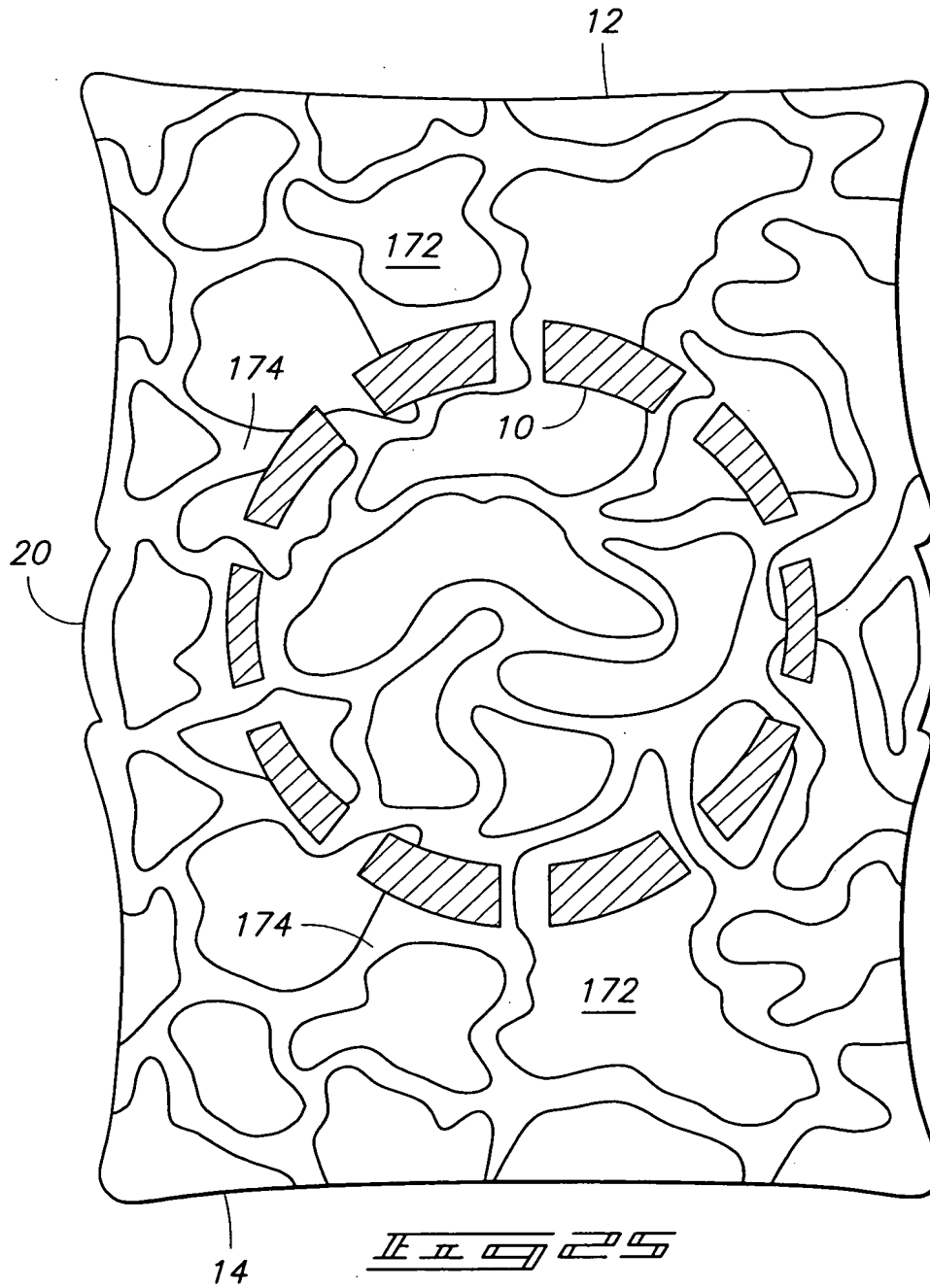
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